**Improving milk production**

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Centre has decided to allow the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) to import 10,000 tons of milk powder;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the status of milk production in the country vis-a-vis the demands, State-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve the production and consumption of milk in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) NDDB has been issued license for import of 10,000 tons of milk powder.

(b) The need for import of powder arose due to acute shortage of milk resulting from acute drought conditions prevailing continuously during last three years in various States, delay and poor calving of milch animals and also shortage of feed and fodder.

(c) The estimates of State-wise milk production in the country for the year 2002-03 are given in the enclosed Statement *(See* below).The milk production at national level is by and large sufficient to meet the domestic demand.

(d) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying in Government of India is implementing the following schemes to improve the production of milk in the country.

1. National Project for cattle and buffalo breeding.
2. Livestock health and disease control.
3. Assistance to States for feed and fodder development.
4. Integrated Dairy Development Programme (IDDP).

In addition to above, the cooperative milk unions/federations in various States have also drawn up long term plans with the assistance of National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) for promoting the activities in processing and manufacturing facilities, quality assurance, productivity enhancement, institutional building and society organization, national

information network and market development to improve the consumption of milk.

***Statement***

*Production estimates of milk State-wise* (2002-2003)

(000 Tonnes)

| States/UTs | Milk" (2002-03) |
|---|---|
| Andhra Pradesh | 622 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 51 |
| Assam | 841 |
| Bihar® | 2783 |
| Goa | 50 |
| Gujarat | 6500 |
| Haryana | 5108 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 766 |
| Jammu and Kashmir | 1394 |
| Karnataka | 4976 |
| Kerala | 2835 |
| Madhya Pradesh @ | 5864 |
| Maharashtra | 6347 |
| Manipur | 74 |
| Meghalaya | 68 |
| Mizoram | 14 |
| Nagaland | 58 |
| Orissa | 986 |
| Punjab | 9019 |
| Rajasthan | 5375 |
| Sikkim | 59 |
| Tamil Nadu | 5073 |
| Tripura | 80 |
| Uttar Pradesh @ | 17203 |
| West Bengal | 3561 |
| A&N Islands | 28 |
| Chandigarh | 44 |
| Daman & Diu | 12 |
| D & N Haveli | 1 |
| Delhi | 353 |
| Lakshadweep | 1 |
| Pondicherry | 34 |
| Chhattisgarh** | 838 |
| Uttaranchal** | 1108 |
| Jharkhand** | 1485 |
| TOTAL: | 8911** |

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